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REPORT

TOPIC Bad Voelsau Airfield and Military Post

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EVALUATION

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50X1-HUM

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. Between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on 4 August 1953, 2 Aira Cobra [redacted] and 1 biplane were parked at Bad Voelsau [redacted] airfield. No flying was observed. There was an 8/10 overcast, westerly wind at 20 km/h, a ceiling at an altitude of about 1,000 meters and good visibility. There was almost no activity observed on the field or near the buildings.
2. Gainfarn Castle at Bad Voelsau military post was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. No activity was observed at the installation. Six trucks were parked in the garages of building No 25 on Hoch Strasse. Three officers with blue service colors, and some soldiers and women, with black-bordered blue epaulets, were observed entering and leaving building No 1 on Hoch Strasse. Voelsau Castle was guarded by sentries with black-bordered blue epaulets. A van-like truck was parked in the yard and jeep [redacted] with the driver wearing 50X1-HUM black-bordered blue epaulets, left the castle. Soldiers, with black-bordered blue epaulets, were seen through the windows of building No 14 on Bahnhof Strasse. The former kommandatura at Gainfarn as well as buildings Nos 5, 13, 26, 28, and 41 were vacant and unguarded. Sedan [redacted] the drivers of which wore black-bordered blue epaulets were seen proceeding toward the airfield.

[redacted] Comment: In early July 1953, the reconnaissance regiment and the 10 to 50X1-HUM 12 IL-28s previously stationed at Bad Voelsau airfield moved to an undetermined place, in connection with the transfer of bomber regiments from East Germany and Austria. It appears that transports or courier aircraft have remained at the field.

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